



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON

DECISION DOCUMENT

ROUND 12 - Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act

The Secretary of the Interior hereby approves the estimated expenditures from the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Special Account and other authorizations outlined below, with the provisos as stated.

1. The total expenditure authorized from the SNPLMA Special Account for Round 12 is \$43,171,865, including estimated expenditures of:

Expenditure Category	Final Recommendation		
	Base	10% Contingency	Total Recommended Funding
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas (PTNA)	\$1,199,293	\$119,929	\$1,319,222
Capital Improvements	\$1,008,432	\$100,843	\$1,109,275
Conservation Initiatives	\$1,641,671	0	\$1,641,671
Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions	\$877,600	0	\$877,600
Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention	\$1,496,600	0	\$1,496,600
Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration Project	\$996,100	0	\$996,100
Multi Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP)	\$92,000	0	\$92,000
Lake Tahoe Restoration Projects (From Lake Tahoe Reserve)	\$34,139,397	0	\$34,139,397
Category Totals	\$41,451,093	\$220,772	\$41,671,865
Special Account Reserve	\$1,500,000	0	\$1,500,000
Total Round 12 Budget Recommendation	\$42,951,093	\$220,772	\$43,171,865

A list of approved projects to be funded through these authorized expenditures is attached as Attachment A.

- a. The budget figures include the sum of the estimated costs for projects and an additional 10 percent of such costs for the Capital Improvement and Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas categories. The additional 10 percent contingency for each of these two categories may be expended to cover the difference between estimated and actual costs (if otherwise valid and allowable under the SNPLMA) for particular approved projects in that category, up to 10 percent of the estimated cost of the individual project, contingent upon meeting criteria for allowable cost overruns and other requirements set forth in the *SNPLMA Implementation Agreement*.
- b. The Lake Tahoe Restoration Projects are funded out of the Lake Tahoe Reserve in the SNPLMA Special Account. This reserve was initially approved in the SNPLMA Round 6 Secretarial Decision Document dated February 7, 2006, to fund future rounds of Lake Tahoe Restoration Projects. Further funding for this reserve was approved in the Rounds 9, 10, and 11 Secretarial Decision Documents.
- c. All project funds not expended to complete the projects will be returned to the Special Account to be used for future rounds, the Special Account Reserve, and other authorized purposes. Except in the case of Lake Tahoe Restoration projects, no reallocation of excess funds to previously approved projects is authorized.
- d. Authorization for expenditures for projects submitted in Round 12 as set forth in this Decision Document will not be construed as a final approval for any particular expenditure. The amounts authorized herein are not approved for expenditure unless and until all requisite procedures are followed as outlined in this document and in the *SNPLMA Implementation Agreement*.
- e. The "anticipated cost" for land acquisitions reflects the owner's asking price plus estimated costs for other allowed expenses such as appraisals and case management, but does not reflect the actual value of any property or the actual price to be paid for any property. The actual purchase price will be based on the appraised fair market value. Acquisitions by the United States of land and interests in land using funds from the SNPLMA Special Account will be made in all cases from willing sellers, and will comply with the land acquisition authorities of the acquiring agency, as well as with the guidance for such acquisitions established by the Department of Justice. Final purchase of any property, including final determination of the purchase price, will depend upon successful completion of the acquisition process under these authorities, as well as the *SNPLMA Implementation Agreement*.
- f. For Federal projects, no amount authorized herein will be considered to be an amount approved for expenditure until a notice of availability of funding has been issued and a work plan has been submitted by the proponent and accepted by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The work plan must set forth a schedule of periodic expenditures reflecting logical phases of the project and associated deliverables.
- g. For non-Federal projects, no amount authorized herein will be considered to be an amount approved for expenditure until all of the following have been met:

- 1) A notice of availability of funding has been issued.

- 2) A cooperative agreement or grant between the recipient entity and the BLM or other Federal agency has been fully executed.
- 3) A work plan has been submitted by the proponent and accepted by the BLM or other Federal agency. The work plan will set forth a schedule of periodic expenditures reflecting logical phases of the project.
- 4) The starting point for an identified phase and its associated funding start date has been reached.

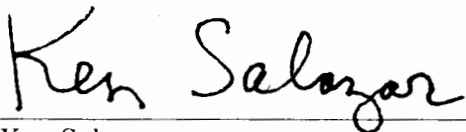
h. The funds available for Lake Tahoe Primary Category projects will be available for reprogramming by the Tahoe Regional Executive Committee to fund projects within the Secondary Category in the event a Primary Category project becomes infeasible or actual costs are less than estimated.

2. The establishment of a reserve within the Special Account in the amount of \$1.5 million is authorized for expenditure during Round 12 at the discretion of the Executive Committee toward allowable expenditures under the SNPLMA and in accordance with the *SNPLMA*

Implementation Agreement, where special circumstances warrant. Special Account Reserve (SAR) funds are authorized to address unexpected shortfalls between estimated and actual costs for approved projects, respond to safety issues that pose an imminent threat and require immediate remediation, and respond to unique opportunities or unanticipated circumstances that require fast action. All expenditures from the SAR will be undertaken in compliance with established procedures and internal controls as well as all applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The SAR authorized by this decision will be available during Round 12 only. Funds not obligated or allocated during Round 12 will be returned to the Special Account for allocation to the recommended budget in the next round.

3. It is expected that approved projects will be implemented within the timeframe specified in the project nomination, with appropriate time allocated for project startup and closeout as agreed upon in the work plan approved by the BLM. Time extension requests should be considered exceptions to the expected practice of timely implementation of projects and therefore limited in number and scope.

APPROVED:



Ken Salazar

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Date

ATTACHMENT A
Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-263, as amended)
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Priority	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Amount Recommended	Cumulative Recommended
Parks Trails and Natural Areas				
1	I-215 Regional Trail Connectivity	City of Henderson	\$ 428,993	\$ 428,993
2	Kiel Ranch Historic Park Phase II	City of North Las Vegas	\$ 347,000	\$ 775,993
3	Caliente Pool Park Complex Phase II	Lincoln County	\$ 423,300	\$ 1,199,293
Contingency				\$ 119,929
Parks, Trails, and Natural Areas Total				\$ 1,319,222
Capital Improvements				
1	Lehman Cave Visitor Center Campus, Access & Fire Safety	NPS	\$ 633,642	\$ 633,642
2	Sacramento Pass Recreation Area Reconstruction	BLM	\$ 374,790	\$ 1,008,432
Contingency				\$ 100,843
Capital Improvements Total				\$ 1,109,275
Conservation Initiatives				
1	Patterson Pass Sage Grouse Habitat Restoration Project	BLM	\$ 501,866	\$ 501,866
2	Long Valley Watershed Analysis and Sage Grouse Research	BLM	\$ 239,805	\$ 741,671
3	Interagency Law Enforcement	USDA FS	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,641,671
Conservation Initiatives Total				\$ 1,641,671
Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions				
1	Tahoe Meadows	USDA FS	\$ 307,900	\$ 307,900
2	Rosenlund Property	USDA FS	\$ 569,700	\$ 877,600
Environmentally Sensitive Land Acquisitions Total				\$ 877,600
Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention				
1	Mt. Rose Tracts Hazardous Fuels Reduction Implementation; Phase 2 of 3	USDA FS	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000
2	Spooner Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Implementation Project, Phase 3 of 3	USDA FS	\$ 900,000	\$ 1,125,000
3	Genoa Hazardous Fuels Reduction Planning, Carson Ranger District	USDA FS	\$ 220,000	\$ 1,345,000
4	Urban Lot Fuel Reduction WUI Small Acre Holdings	Nevada Division of State Lands	\$ 98,800	\$ 1,443,800
5	Lake Tahoe Nevada State Park Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project - East Side Spooner Summit and Franktown Creek	Nevada Division of Forestry	\$ 52,800	\$ 1,496,600
Hazardous Fuels Reduction and Wildfire Prevention Total				\$ 1,496,600

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20	Lake Tahoe Stormwater Tools Improvement	EPA	\$ 480,000	\$ 29,124,397
21	EIP Reporting Integration and Accountability Tool	EPA	\$ 400,000	\$ 29,524,397
22	Community-Based Watershed Strategy	EPA	\$ 750,000	\$ 30,274,397
23	Conservation Technical Assistance	NRCS	\$ 115,000	\$ 30,389,397
24	Science Themes & Sub-Themes	PSW	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 34,139,397
Lake Tahoe Restoration Primary Projects Total				\$34,139,397
All Categories Including Contingency Total				\$ 41,671,865
Special Account Reserve				\$ 1,500,000
Round 12 Total Budget				\$ 43,171,865

*The Lake Tahoe Restoration Projects are funded from the Lake Tahoe Reserve in the Special Account.

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Priority	Project Name	Requesting Entity	Amount Recommended	Cumulative Recommended
Lake Tahoe Restoration Secondary Projects* (Priority numbers assigned by BLM for tracking purposes only)				
1	Mobile BMP Implementation on Paved Roadways in the Tahoe Basin	FHWA	\$ 798,000	\$ 798,000
2	Aspen Community Restoration	USDA FS	\$ 738,000	\$ 1,536,000
3	Big Meadow Fire Regime Restoration	USDA FS	\$ 400,000	\$ 1,936,000
4	Incline Hazardous Fuels Reduction & Healthy Forest Restoration	USDA FS	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 6,936,000
5	South Shore Hazardous Fuels Reduction & Healthy Forest Restoration	USDA FS	\$ 3,800,000	\$ 10,736,000
6	Urban Forest Restoration and Fuels Reduction	USDA FS	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 11,736,000
7	Basin Wide Roads	USDA FS	\$ 500,000	\$ 12,236,000
8	Basin Wide Trails	USDA FS	\$ 870,000	\$ 13,106,000
9	Erosion Control Grants	USDA FS	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 15,106,000
10	Camp Richardson Resort BMP Retrofit	USDA FS	\$ 3,250,000	\$ 18,356,000
11	NEPA Resource Inventories, Surveys, and Analysis	USDA FS	\$ 190,000	\$ 18,546,000
12	Upper Truckee River Restoration, Sunset Reach	USDA FS	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 19,546,000
13	Snow Creek Restoration Project	BOR	\$ 940,000	\$ 20,486,000
14	Recovery/Restoration of Lahontan Cutthroat Trout in the Tahoe Basin	FWS	\$ 450,000	\$ 20,936,000
15	Preventing Aquatic Invasive Species Proliferation in Lake Tahoe	FWS	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 23,936,000
16	EIP Reporting Integration and Accountability Tool	EPA	\$ 114,093	\$ 24,050,093
17	Community-Based Watershed Strategy	EPA	\$ 434,835	\$ 24,484,928
18	Conservation Technical Assistance	NRCS	\$ 115,000	\$ 24,599,928
19	Secondary Science Themes and Sub-Themes	PWS	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 27,599,928
Lake Tahoe Restoration Secondary Projects Total				\$ 27,599,928

* The funds associated with the Secondary List would come from reallocation of any funds that become available from approved primary projects, as well as previously approved projects, if those funds are not needed to complete primary list or previously approved projects. Secondary List project funding will be determined through the review and approval process identified in the SNPLMA Implementation Agreement. Secondary List projects make up reductions in scaled primary projects or would provide additional funding to high priority program areas; that is, these amounts are distinct from the amounts requested in the Round 12 primary project list. For example, if both the primary and secondary Camp Richardson Resort BMP Retrofit projects were to be fully funded the total amount eventually expended could be \$5.5 million.